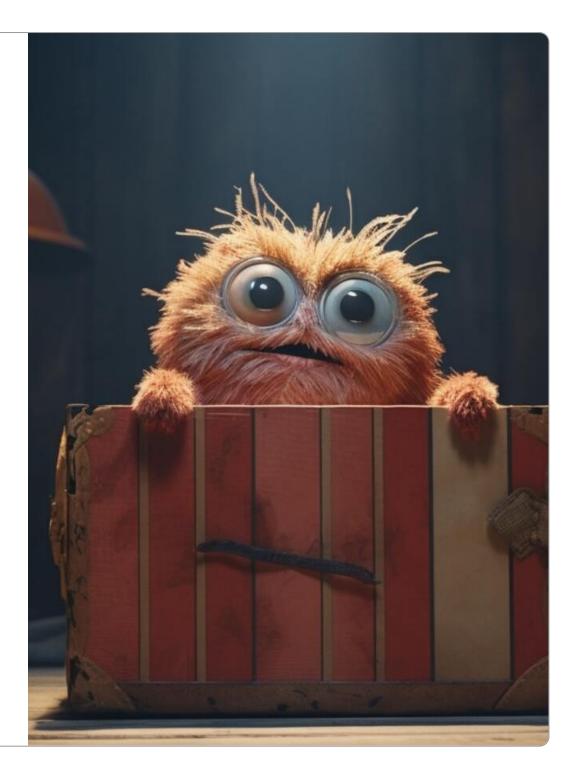




Story starter

Hundreds of people crammed into the village hall, waiting for the curious news that had been promised. Reporters, camera crews and medical experts all stood with bated breath as an elderly man hobbled slowly onto the tiny stage. A hushed silence fell on the audience as the man approached the microphone. Suddenly, a huge spotlight illuminated a small wooden box on the stage. Professor Johnson cleared his throat with all eyes transfixed on him as he opened his mouth. "Ladies and gentlemen, I was amazed when I first saw this creature, as I am sure you will be. I present to you…"

Continue the story.



Sentence starters

Use these sentence starters to write your own sentence or paragraph.

- 1. Everyone waited patiently for...
- 2. The strange professor cleared his throat before...
- **3.** The curious creature began to...



Word Bank

shocked curious experiment

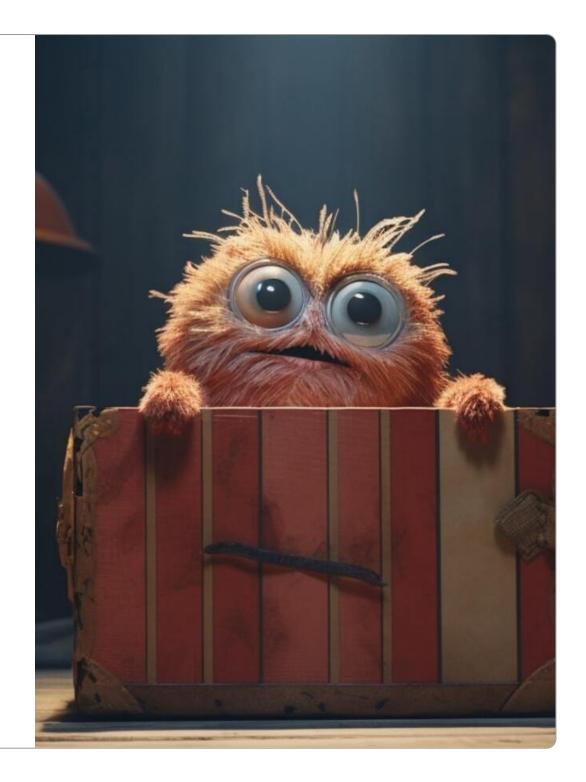
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Question time

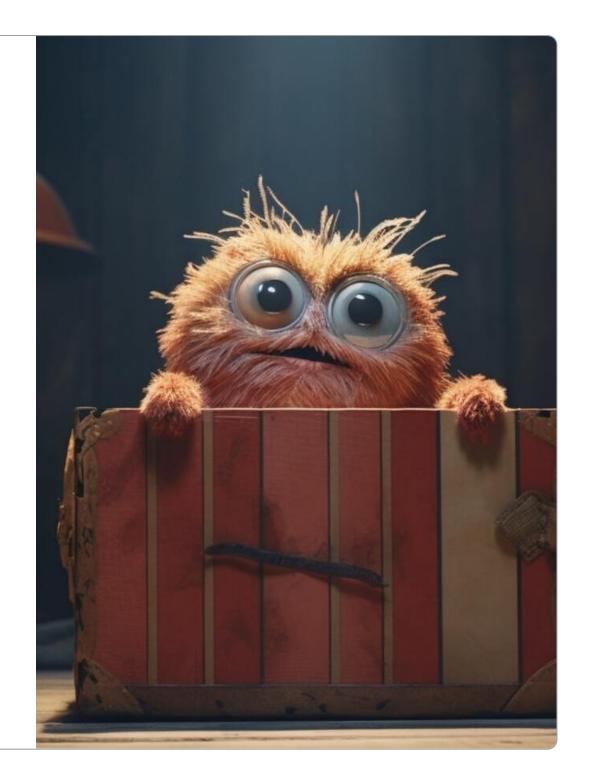
- What is the creature in the box?
- What does it look like?
- Do you think this creature is fierce or gentle?
- Where was it discovered?
- What does the professor intend to do with it?



Sentence challenge

Try and make these sentences even more interesting.

- 1. The man opened the box.
- 2. The creature sat, staring.
- **3.** People watched in shock.



Punctuation challenge

Add the missing punctuation to these sentences.

- 1. the mysterious creature used its small fluffy paws to pull itself up on the box
- **2.** the crowd gasped in shock as the professor revealed his strange discovery
- 3. what on earth is that yelled a young child in the crowd

